SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1860.

In the San Francisco Bulletin of November 3d, we read of the Board of Education in the State of California, that

"To the Rules and Regulations, as heretofore published, have been added provisions for regular and systematic instruc-tion in collishenies and gymnastics, for a more thorough ven-tilation of school rooms, and for the minor details of order and

We have time and again referred to the subject of gymnastic exercises as forming a portion of the public education of the people, but alas, the deal ear and the cold shoulder are all the returns that we have hitherto met with; and we have at times been treated as impertinent and wicked in wishing to devote a small portion of the school fund to the physical education of the children, and to withdraw them for an hour or two a day from under the spout of that educational pump, which the Hawaiian Board of Education have been working for so many years with so small result.

But notwithstanding the bad success of our previous attempts, we are again reminded of our duty to "cry aloud and spare not," when we see the Educational Boards of other countries taking up the subject and pushing it through, without any other question than " is it right, is it needed!" if so, all other considerations must yield, seeing that the physical health of the people is the primary condition of the perpetuity of the State, and the proper basis for the development of those social and individual virtues, which increase the charm and the usefulness of life here, and the chances of bliss hereafter.

The neglect hitherto shown by our own Board of Education to the physical culture of the people is unpardonable. In the face of one of the most destructive transition periods on record, (as regards health and constitutional strength) not a measure has been taken that looked ever so indirectly toward instructing the children in, and endowing them with, that physical development which would in after life have enabled them to combat the rude shocks and insidious evils of their condition. They have been plentifully instructed in the ways of another world and the acquisition of eternal life, but the ways of this world and the lessons of physical life they have been permitted to pick up in the gutter, if at all, and only when experience came too late to save. The health-giving exercises and amusements of ancient days were tabued, because heathenish associations clung to their practice, but no attempt was ever made to supplant them by others or, while retaining, to purge them of their objectionable character.

. Wherever there is a will, there is a way," is an old saying, and although our Government is necessarily poor, yet had the Board possessed the and were as distingues as any of foreign advent. Thirty disposition, there can be no reasonable doubt that | years ago, even, the wardrobe of few Hawaiian ladies, the means would have long ago been procured for except the Queen Regent and some of the principal every school in the country by the contributions of Chiefesses, comprised but little more than the humble the parents, the assistance of the benevolent and cotton chemise and the never failing, ever graceful flowthe direct aid of government.

But it may be asked, supposing you can procure a gymnastic apparatus of some sort to every school, how are you to procure competent teachers! We answer, that with a determined will to remedy, so far as in this government lies, the sad neglect of former years, even this difficulty will soon be overcome. There is already in Honolulu a Gymnasium or Turn-verein, as it is called, which, if applied to and paid for, would no doubt consent to act as a Normal school, at which the present country schoolmasters or some one of their oldest and most promising pupils might be instructed during vacations, taking turns by divisions of districts or otherwise, and thus qualify themselves on their return to superintend the physical education of their scholars. To this should be added swimming.

Whatever is to be done, however, should be taken in hand at once. It may take three or four years before competent apparatus and teachers can be obtained throughout the country; therefore the sooner we begin in places where these things can be obtained, the better will be our prospect of imparting a proper stimulus and accomplishing the object which should concern the State, as a corporation, and every individual parent in it, full as much as the acquisition of knowledge by which the world will never be benefited, unless accompanied by that constitutional health and power of endurance, which if inborn should be strengthened, and if not inborn should be imparted, by the physical education of the children.

We pray the Board of Education not to consider themselves wiser than similar Boards in other countries, but to reflect and concede that the physical culture of the children is as much a portion of their duties to attend to, as the mental and moral culture. And we now earnestly refer the Board and our readers to the article on our fourth page relative to this subject. We do not wish to stand in even seeming opposition to any branch of His Majesty's government, but while we represent the urgent, ever louder crying necessities of the growing generations, the experience of ages and the widening sphere of physical culture in other countries, we shall not shrink from exposing as wicked and absurd an adherence in this country to obsolete systems, and the neglect to impart to the young that power which renders the ills of life endurable, is the parent of hope and an active antidote to vicious idleness and premature decay.

The Stationery Trade on the Pacific. One of the many facts which indicate the progress social refinement and civilization is, though seldom noticed, the book and stationery trade. Wherever you see a nest and well kept establishment of this kind, with a gentlemanly and intelligent proprietor, you may be sure that you are in the midst of an intellectual, refined and

well informed people. In our own little country a bookstore has been estabhas had a hard road to travel, yet we believe that the then existed. But we take it for granted that " when ty the Queen, the King, who honored the " Matron." of the book and stationery trade is but another evidence with Mrs. Bishop. Their vis-a-vis were Capt. Hoskins. of that fact. Since the discovery and settlement of of H. B. M. steamer Hecate and Miss Paki, M. de California, and the opening up of the Panama and over- Varigny and Mrs. Allen, Hon. D. Kalakaua and Miss land routes of communication with the Eastern marts | Laanui. On the other two sides were Hon. Mr. Bishop trade received an impetus on the Pacific side of the Young and Miss Paty, Mr. Dominis and Miss Swinton, world, which a whole century of the anciest dog-trot Hon. Mr. Webster and Miss Jane M'Kibbin, Mr. Ever-

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would never have imparted to it. San Francisco, of course, became the center of this trade, and several eminent firms engaged in it and found a lucrative remuneration. Their success undoubtedly reacted tavorably upon the trade here, and we were by their means enabled to obtain not only books, newspapers and magazines before they were old and stale, but also the latest and most fashionable styles of stationery. Both branches of the trade, however, were carried on conjointly is San Francisco until about two years ago Mr. Albert L. Bancroft, brother of the eminent Publisher and Bookseller, conceived the idea of taking Stationery and making it a separate and distinct branch of trade, devoting his best energies to that alone. No house exclusively Stationery had as yet been started upon the Pacific Coast. Accordingly after having spent one year in preparation, the requisite arrangements were consum mated for receiving regular supplies from the Mills and Manufactories of the United States, England, France and Germany, and the enterprise launched in San Francisco, early in 1860, under the name of A. L. Bancroft & Co., Mr. H. H. Bancroft becoming junior part-

So far it has proved a decided success, there not being a town of any consequence in California, Oregon, Washington or Utah which does not contain one or nore customers of this house. Closely allied to the interests of this new firm, stands the old house of H. H. Bancroft & Co., with its large warerooms crowded to overflowing with books in every department of literature. The customers of these two houses derive great advantages in their being able to make up their entire stock from them, and by each department of their business being carried on separately and upon its own

To our own Book and Stationery Store, and to those who turn to San Francisco direct for their purchases. we would heartily say, give the new house of A. L. Bancroft & Co. a call.

Local News.

THE FANCY BALL given by His Excellency R. C. Wyllie, Minister of Foreign Affairs, on Wednesday evening last, at the Court House, was so complete a success, so perfect a triumph of its kind, that we feel sure that a more detailed description cannot fail to gratify our readers here, and interest others abroad, whose ideas of "Polynesia" and the "South Sea Islands have not yet advanced beyond the descriptions and fashion plates furnished by "Cook's Voyages" or the "Mutineers of the Bounty."

Fifty years ago the naked, unlettered barbarian anded his canoe and hung his nets to dry, or stuck his defiant shear in the sand, where now stands the emple of justice, in whose chambers and holy of boies his own children officiate with credit and distinction. Forty years ago the little wavelets of the bay played nature's and their own mazurka with the sea shells and the algae, to the tune of the deep-rolling surf outside, where but a day or two since one of the greatest art-triumphs of civilization was consummated, in which the children of the soil, the grandchildren of er wreath; to-day there are thousands whose toilette and parare evince alike their means and their taste and, although 8,000 miles from Paris, show the latest fashions within a month.

This is the first fancy ball, worthy of the name, given in Honololu. It was originally intended to have been kept on the 31st of July, the great national holiday of the restoration of the Hawaiian flag by Admiral Thomas, but owing to the severe illness of H. R. H. Prince Kamehameha and his subsequent tour to British America and California, it was postponed until the 28th of November, the national anniversary of the recognition of the independence of this country by Great Britain and France. The ball was given by Mr. Wyllie to commemorate this event, in honor of their Majesties the King and Queen, and as a re-union of the scattered elements of the very best and most fashionable society in Honolulu. And well may His Excellency feel gratified and proud of the perfect success of his attempt, unmarred by a single cross or the slightest regret

In the Court House the large hall of the Suprem Court and the spacious rooms adjoining had been given up to the occasion. The hall was tastefully decorated with evergreens and flowers, and at the upper end, facing the grand entrance, was an ornamented dais for their Majesties, in which the national colors were happily blended with those of France and England. Behind the seat of their Majesties was a stand of banderolas with heraldic devices; in the center the King's standard, to the right the standard of Scotland, and to the left the coronet and shield of the late Duke of Sussex as Earl of Inverness. To the right of the throne was another stand of banderolas, behind the place assigned to H. R. H. Prince Kamehameha, one of which was the King's standard and the other bore the Hawaiian crown. To the left of the throne, behind the place of Mrs. Gregg, the matron of the ball, was another stand with the following banderolas: In the center a plain banner with the inscription " Hazelbank" (the native manor of the noble host) in letters of gold; another to the right inscribed "Viva el Rey" in letters of gold, red and blue; and another to the left inscribed "Viva la Reyna" in letters of the same color. On each side of the throne was a young page (Masters William and Hugh McIntyre) in full Highland costume, wearing

His Excellency Mr. Wyllie, the honored host on the occasion, dressed as a Scotch Laird in the national colr of buff turned up with red, and assisted by Mrs. Gregg, dressed as a Highland Lady, and accompanied by Miss Jenny McIntyre, in full costume of a Highland Chiefess, and all wearing the royal tartan of the Stu-

arts, received the guests as they arrived. The Scotch poet Burns has signalized Ayreshire as famous for "honest men and bonnie lasses," and it is but justice to the Laird of Hazle Bank to acknowledge that he selected as the Laird's lady on this occasion a lady than whom a bonnier, more courtly and dignified could not have been found in all Avrshire.

At eight and a quarter P. M. their Majesties the King and Queen and H. R. H. Prince Kamehameha. with their suites arrived, and were received by the host and the matron, who conducted them to the dais, the lished for several years, and although many times it orchestra playing "God Save the King," which was continued till the whole of the company present had general result has been satisfactory. Formerly the defiled past their Majesties and made their obeisance in long distance, the lapse of time, the uncertainty of ar- passing. Soon after the opening dance, the Royal quarival of a shipment around Cape Horn, were serious drille commenced, composed of the following ladies and drawbacks to the establishment of the book trade in gentlemen : at the head of the quadrille were Mr. Wylthese Islands, not to mention the small demand which lie, who had the honor to open the ball with Her Majesthings are at the worst, they mend," and the advance Mrs. Gregg, with his hand, and Chief Justice Allen. of the United States and those of Europe, the book and Mrs. Austin, Mr. Spalding and Mrs. Brewer, Mr.

ett and Mrs. Heuck, Mr. Hanks and Mrs. Aldrich, and Mr. Von Holt and Miss Irwin. After the Royal quadrille followed the Queen's waltz, in which Her Majesty took part, honoring with her hand Doctor Guillou.

The dancing now became general and continued with uninterrupted spirit and pleasure till about 24 o'clock in the morning, when their Majesties retired and the

We will now proceed to note the feature which gave all its peculiar piquancy and charm to the ball, and which will long cause it to be remembered as par excellence the most pleasurable re-union in Honolulu, and, we hope, the auspicious inauguration of many more in years to come. We refer to the costumes and fancy

The King, as an Albanian Chief, wore superb over and under jackets of deep scarlet velvet and grieves, richly embroidered with gold; white skirt, gre n velvet sash, sandals and red fez completed the costume with pistol, dagger and the inseparable calamaro. The Queen, as Cybele, "the great mother of the Gods" of ancient mythology, crowned with towers and with seeptre in her hand, was a happy conception and well designed. Dr. Guillou, as a Marquis of the Ancient Regime before the Revolution, with embroidered crimson velvet coat, breeches and shoes, deep ruffles, powdered wig and short dress sword, and Mrs. Austin as let Marquise of the same period, in robe of yellow brocade and with powdered coiffure, elicited universal admiration. The Doctor was a perfect specimen of that " vieille noblesse" in France, gay, gallant, reckless, profligate, but proud, immortalised in the well known expression "Roi ne puis. Rohan suis," while " la belle Marquise," by her cast of features, contour of figure and vivacity of manner, fully realised the conception of a " fille do France," a Princesse Lamballe, or a Duchesse de Chevreuse. Miss Paki, as a Chinese lady of quality, dressed with the most minute exactness, was another masterly impersonation of a foreign role. Mrs. Coady, as Night, was a well executed conception, and her star-spangled veil made night fairly brilliant with light. Miss Laanui as a Polish Vivandiere, was tastily and correctly dressed, and with her jaunty cap and tripping little feet fully realised the idea of what the French so happily express by gentilla, spirituelle and aquemte. Miss Alice Brown, as Titania, queen of the fairies, in tulle and lace, and with wings on her shoulders, was a fair rendering of the poet's idea, but we looked in vain for Blossom. Miss McKibbin, as the Evening Star, and Miss Mary McKibbin, as the Morning Star, with their classical features and severely simple and chaste attire, were two personations that will long baunt the memory of the beholder like an untold dream or messages from fairy land. Miss Jane McKibbin, as Undine, with her garlands of mosses and sea weeds, and her flowing hair, might have been the veritable Galatea herself seeking diversion for the loss of Acis, or the nymph at the sources of the Donau, whom De la Motte Fouque has so touchingly described. Miss Swinton, as a Spanish girl, sizes, to fit on the main and side pipes from the Valley from the Southern slope of the Sierra Morena, was and through the streets of the city. The excavations neatly and correctly dressed and, with her dark spark- for making the reservoir in Nuuanu are prosecuted ling eyes and brunette complexion, might have claimed | with great diligence. We have no doubt that when the kindred with the proudest of the dwellers in the farfamed Alhambra, or been a cousin to the ill-starred Avesha. Mrs. Bishop, as a Mexican lady of rank, and

Miss Hatty Swinton, as a Mexican peasant girl, were

very good presentations of the characters they assumed.

We have only room to mention Mrs. T. Spencer, as

an Italian peusent girl; Miss Irwin, as a Scotch

lassie, Miss Pratt, as the Cross and Crescent, Miss

Gupsey, Miss Ida Von Pfister, as the May flower, all of

which were fault'essly dressed, and contributed in

no small degree to the brilliant success of the ball.

All these ladies were certainly and by common ac-

cord the most noticeable costumes of the evening.

The ladies who availed themselves of the privilege of

appearing in ball dress, were many as the stars and

fairer by far, but beyond this passing compliment,

they are not the subject of our description. The

dresses of the Hon, Mrs. Allen and Mrs. Holdsworth were remarkably tasteful and much admired. Among the gentlemen, who nearly all appeared in costume or uniform, the most prominent were among others-His Majesty and Dr. Guillou, who have already been mentioned; His Ex. Gov. Kekuanaoa, who appeared in a rich and well becoming fancy uniform, the colors of which were Scotch, chosen in compliment to the giver of the Ball ; Mr. Heuck, as a Naturalist, a perambulating museum of serpents, lizards, butterflies, &c., &c., fastened to his coat and hat, and with fly-net and sketch book and spectacles on nose, undoubtedly the most piquant fancy costame in the hall : Dr. Hoffman, as the Beau Brummel, the exquisite of modern days, the ne plus ultra of fashionable extravagance united to the most refined gentility; Mr. Prendergast, as Rhoderic Dhu, in full Highland costume, sporran and all, was a fine character; and so was Mr. Von Holt, as Massaniello, the peculiar build and complexion of each gentleman corresponding completely to the dress and rendering the illusion perfect; Mr. J. H. Brown, as Iago, was probably, after His Majesty, the costliest as well as the most correct costume on the occasion; Mr. Everett, as the Japanese Tycoon; Mr. Vincent in the gorgeous apparel of a Spanish Grandee; Mr. Vida, as Charles IV of Spain ; Mr. H. W. Severance, as a Chinese Mandarin ; Messrs, Banning and Emmert, as Tyroliens; Messrs. Dominis and Fr. Pratt, as Souliote Greeks; Mr. Bishon, as one of the Caccuatori delli Alpi (Garibaldiens); Mr. Hart, as a Colored gentleman; Messrs, E. Burgess and Lockwood, as Irish b'hoys, bound to Donnybrook fair; Mr. M. Brown, as a Russian burgher from fair Kaluga; Mr. Fr. Spencer, in the white capote of a Gigour: Mr. Thos. Pratt in Highland costume; Capt. Pomerov and Mr. Richmond, as American turs, and Mr. Cole as a living parody on the ex-

travagance of military uniforms. The following officers of H. B. M. steamer Hecate were present at the Ball : Anthony H. Hoskins, Commander: John Tom Gabriel, Sur-

geon; Philip James Hankin, Lieut.; Edward W. Warren, Lieut.; Albert Lew, Paymaster; Charles Wright, Chief Engineer; William H. Bell, Assistant Surgeon; Barclay Corsie, Assistant Paymaster; Arthur Paget, Esq., traveller and pussenger by the He-To Messrs, Hoffman and Fr. Pratt, the Masters of

Ceremonies, much of the pleasant result of this ball We must not forget, among other things, to men-

tion that His Lordship Bishop Maigret and four of his Clergy attended in the fore part of the evening, and having offered their congratulations to their Ma-

Waltz was composed by Messrs. Hasslocher and Waldau, the eminent musicians, now residing in Ho-The paintings and decorations were executed and

superintended by that very correct and tasteful artiste Mr. P. Emmert. The refreshments were furnished by Mr. Victor

Chancerel, of the French Hotel. We have thus, to the best of our ability, endeav-

ored to convey an adequate idea of this, the first Fancy Ball on the Hawaiian Islands, and in concluding a task so difficult we would again assure His Ex. Mr. Wyllie, of the pleasant emotions of all those who did themselves the honor to attend the ball. The

honors of the occasion could by none have been more worthily rendered, than they were by himself as host and by Mrs. Gregg as matron.

We learn that it is the intention of His Majesty to give another costume and fancy ball on the next an niversary of that day, the 28th of November, 1861 and that it will be de rigeur to appear in costume.

The following is a list of the ladies and gentlement who did Mr. Wyllie the honor of attending his Fancy

A D Cartwright,

Sam'l H Dowsett

J H Cole,

J O Dominis

Wm Duncan,

Paul Emmert,

Capt Edwards.

Abr Fornander,

Capt Green, A S Grinbaum,

M M Gower.

Dr Guillou,

Chas Hart,

C C Harris,

Dr Hoffman, H J H Holdsworth

Hugh McIntyre, jr,

Capt Long, Capt Luce, J H Lockwood,

Alex McKibbin A Potter, W C Parke,

Capt Pomeroy,

Frank Pratt.

J Pratt.

J W Pfluger,

H Prendergast, Commodore Paty,

John Paty, Capt A Russell,

Frank Spencer,

Stephen Spencer, T A Schaefer,

Capt Stott, H W Severance,

Sam Savidge, J Mott Smith,

W H Smith.

Daniel Vida.

H. R. H. PRINCE KAMERAMERA. McKibbin, Mary McKibbin, Jane McKibbin, Chancellor Chief Justice Allen. McIntyre, Hon. C. R. Bishop, Hon. Wm. Webster, Paki, Pratt, Paty. Robinson, Victoria Robinson H. Ex. the French Commis Swinton, Hatty Swinton, Acting English Commissioner. W. L. Green, Esq., P. Everett, Esq., Consul 2 Priscilla Smith, T C. Heuck, Esq., Consul J W Austin J H Brown. C. Spalding, Esq., Consul of Thes Brown. Peru, F. L. Hanks, Esq., Consul of D Burns. Mons, de Varigny, Ch. French Consulate, . II. Hoskins, Commander of J Cornwell

H. B. M. stm. sl. Hecate, P. J. Hankin, 1st Leeut. do. do . W. Warren, 2d do. do. do. ohn T. Gabriel, Surgeon do. Athert Lew, Paymaster, do do H. Rell. Asst Sur. do do Barcley Corrie, Asst Pay'r do Arthur Paget, Esquire, do do Majesty's Staff Young Kaeo, do, do,

Justice, frs W A Aldrich, Brewster.

J H Brown, D C Bates, A D Cartwright, A J Cartwright, W E Cutrell, I O Carter, p C Ducor on M M Gower. H J H Holdsworth Hughson, T C Henck, J H Long, G B Luce, A Potter, W C Parke, J H Smith, Sam'l Savidge.

Thus Spencer. Frank Spencer, Alice Brown, Benedict, Cartwright, M D Cartwright. I ney Holden,

Capt D C Waterman, J P Wood. - THE NEW WATER PIPES ordered by this Government last spring arrived by the Triton from England on the 25th ult. They are a superior article of various ent price of water as to bring it within the means of consumption by treble and quadruple the present num-

- THEATRE. -On Tuesday evening last, the Royal Hawaiian Theatre was re-opened under the management of Mr. C. Derby. The bill was an entertaining one, and every thing went off to the entire sat-Cartwright, as a Swiss girl, and Miss Luce, as a isfaction of an appreciative audience. The crowded state of our columns must be our excuse for not mentioning this very excellent company more fully. For to-night's programme see advertising columns, and then give Mr. Derby and his company a call. - Correction .- In our account last week of the fire

> on board the Siam, we omitted to mention the other branches of the Fire Department who, besides Mechanic Engine Co. No. 2, assisted in putting cut the fire. The omission was entirely unintentional, and we hope this explanation will relieve us of any charge of unfairness or neglect towards a department of the public service which deserves so well of the community. - THE THIRD LECTURE on Micronesia, by Dr. L. H.

> Gulick, came off on Tuesday evening last at the Fort Street Church. The crowded state of our columns prevents us from publishing it this week, but it will be in-- THANKSGIVING DAY, the 29th inst., was observed

> by all the churches in the city, in connection with the Hawaiian Evangelical Association. Their Majesties the King and Queen attended forenoon service at the Ka-

> - THE MAIL for the East will be dispatched to-day by the schr. Olivia, and by the Frances Palmer about the 5th or 10th inst.

Reception at the Palace.

On the 28th ult. His Majesty received at the Palace. the following members of the Diplomatic and Consular Corps, who came to offer their congratulations on the occurrence of the anniversary of the recognition of the independence of this country by France and Great Britain, viz :- His Excellency E. Perrin, H. I. M's. Commissioner and Consul; W. L. Green, Esq., H. B. M's. Acting Commissioner and Consul; H. Hackfeld, Esq., Consul for Sweden and Norway; A. P. Everett, Esq., Consul for Chili; G. Reiners, Esq., Consul for Bremen, &c., &c., &c.; H. Von Holt, Esq., Consul for Hanover; T. C. Heuck, Esq., Consul for Hamburg; J. C. Spalding, Esq., Consul for Peru; and Fred. L. Hanks, Esq., Consul for the United States. His Ex. M. Perrin, on behalf of himself and His Ex. J. W. Borden, Commissioner of the United States, who was absent from the city, addressed His Majesty as follows:

Sing :- Les Etats Unis et la France se sont plu à reconnaître par de nombreux actes l'indépendance des lies Havai; c'est avec plaisir que nous saisissons l'occasion de nous associer, au nom de nos Gouvernements, à la célébration de l'un de ces ganiversaires.
Plusieurs résolutions dont l'initiative est due au régne de Votre Majeste déposent d'efforts continus pour veiller à la onservation de la race indigéne, en même temps qu'à son développement moral et physique; nous sommes heureux de voi Nous prions Votre Majesté de recevoir, avec nos vœux les plus sincères pour sa prospérité, ceux que nous formons pour le bonheur de son Auguste compagne et celui du jeune Prince

His Majesty, in reply, expressed himself deeply gratified with the repeated kind offices of the two Governments, whose congratulations had been so happily tendered by His Excellency, and his confidence in the con-

tinuation of the same friendly relations. Mr. Green, on behalf of the Consular Corps, then addressed His Majesty as follows :

In behalf of myself, as the Representative of Her Britannic The music to the Royal Quadrille and the Queen's mear Your Majesty's Court here present, I have the honor and tions on the return of another anniversary of the acknowledgement of the national independence of Your Majesty's kingdom by Great Britain and France, an event well worthy of this commemoration from its being the first great advance of Your Majesty's kingdom towards that position which it now maintains so happily under Your Majesty's sway, and we trust that on many future anniversaries we may be enabled to congratulate your Majesty on the continued prosperity of these islands as exhibited by the increased productions of the past

few years.
In conclusion, the pleasure I feel on this occasion is greatly enhanced by the presence of so many officers of Her Britannic Majesty's Navy, and in behalf of them, my brother Consuls and myself, I beg to convey to Your Majesty an expression of our earnest desire for the health and happiness of Your Majesty, Your Royal Consort, and his Royal Highness the Prince of Hawaii, and a long continuance of Your Majesty's reign.

His Majesty replied :

For the congratulations you have just offered in so genuine a form, that any doubt as to their sincerity would be impossible, I of-fer you my kind thanks. The Consular Corps has always sym-pathized with me and my people in everything that regards the

real and physical prosperity of these islands. Indeed it could not be otherwise, for commerce makes our interests identical. It is with great pleasure that I see on this occasion the officers of a ship of war of that nation which concurred in the initiation of the declaration of the independence of these Islands, the anniversary of which gracious act we this day celebrate.

The commander and officers of H. B. M. st. sloop Hecate had the honor of being presented to His Ma-

A. H. Hoskins, Commander; P. J. Hankin, 1st Lieutenant; J. C. Gabriel, Surgeon; T. Pounds, Master; A. Lew, Paymaster; T. Wright, Chief Engineer; W. H. Bell, Asst. Surgeon; Barclay

The Twenty-Eighth of November.

The seventeenth anniversary of the recognition the independence of this country by France and Great Britain was observed as a national holiday in Honolulu on Wednesday last. The town and shipping in port were decked in colors of every hue and nationality, and salutes were fired from Punchbowl Hill. At 11 1-2 A. M., the Diplomatic and Consular Corps waited upon His Majesty at the Palace, and offered their congratulations on the occasion; and at the same time the commanding officers of H. B. M. steam sloop Hecute were presented to His Majesty. In the evening the fancy ball given by His Excellency Mr. Wyllie, and which is described in another place, was the principal feature of the day.

The following is a list of the officers of Her Brittanic

Majesty's sloop Hecate : Inthony H. Haskins Thomas Pounds Barclay Co Chief Engineer Gunner. Robert Gardner Carpenter. Richard Boyman

Sixth Annual Report of the Honolulu Sailor

The rapid flight of another year reminds us that the friends and patrons of the Sailor's Home will expect a report of the Trustees, to whom has been committed the interests of the institution. The Board of Trustees impose the duty of drawing up this seport upon the Executive Committee. In presenting our report, we deem that it will not be altogether uninteresting or inappropriate, to refer to the object for which this Society was originally organized. In doing this, we may be able to ascertain what progress has been made, and whether we have in any respect accomplished the object which we had in view, when the Sailor's Home enterprise was On the 20th of November, 1854, our Constitution

uary for McKean's Island, to take in a cargo of guano. was adopted, the 2d Article of which reads as follows: The object of this Seciety shall be to improve the social, moral and religious condition of seamen resorting to this port, by promoting the establishment and maintenance of a Home, of good character, from which all intoxicating liquors shall be excluded, and in such other ways as shall be deemed proper."

In order to secure a suitable site for the Home, application was made to His Majesty's Government, and the site upon which the Home now stands was granted upon the following conditions, expressed in a resolution of the King's Privy Council:

Resolved, "That the petition for a lot of land for a Sailor's Home be granted, provided it shall be a rule established at such Home and strictly enforced, that no intoxicating liquors shall be drank on the premises; no women of lewd character admitted; no gambling allowed, or any other disorder tolerated."

Such was the object in view and such the imposed, when the Trustees entered upon the experiment of establishing a Sailor's Home in Horolu u. It now becomes us to inquire, whether the object has been | Sales have been made at 23c3, and large lots offering at a less secured and the conditions complied with. Respecting rate. the latter point, we would remark, that not a whisper has been heard from the Government, that the Trustees had not fully performed their part of the obligation voluntarily assumed, but has the Home accomplished the object aimed at, and for which an appeal for funds was made to the public? If it has not, then the experiment has been a failure, and any additional appeal for funds to carry it forward would be out of place, if not downright dishonesty. We are very far from believing that the Home has been a failure, or ever tended in that di rection, but the tendency has been in the very opposite Supposing the Home had been placed, five years ago,

free from debt, and ready for occupancy, the annual amount expended by the Trustees to carry it forward, would not have exceeded \$250 or \$300. This amount would have been expended upon slight repairs, painting, supporting reading room, &c. No candid and reasonable person we think will say, that so trifling an amount was a heavy outlay for the incalculable benefits which have been secured. What! the sum of \$300 per annum too great an outlay, compared with the good accomplished! Such an idea is not for a moment to be entertained! From the first opening of the Home, it has gone steadily forward, ever diffusing a healthful and salutary influence. Never was that influence greater or more salutary than during the passing season. Under the able and efficient management of Mrs. Thrum, aided by the members of her family, the Home has been geadually gaining up n the confidence of both the scafaring and resident community. Those prejudi- Nov 24-Sch Manuckawai, Marchant, fm Kona, with 406 bags ces that once prevailed have melted away, until now he success and usefulness of the Home are admitted facts, not to be gainsaid. It is our honest belief, that the police and Hawaiian Government never had a more efficient aid from any quarter than from the " Home," as conducted by Mrs. Thrum. There is something more than a joke in the sailor's remark, that " Mother Thrum manages sailors better than a regiment of constables.' It is worthy of special remark, that among the board-

ers and others resorting to the Home, the most uniform sobriety, regularity and respectability has been manifest. A private boarding house would not have been kept more quiet and orderly. The Chairman of the Executive Committee can speak with confidence and ntelligence upon this and other topics connected with the Home, for he has daily visited the establishment, and is thoroughly conversant with the entire manage-SAML C. DAMON. J. T. WATERHOUSE.

H. J. H HOLDWORTH,

Executive Committee

Chas. R. Bishop, Trensurer, in Account Current with the Honolulu Sailor's Home Society.

Feb. 16-To am't contribution from B. G. Snow, Strong's Nov. 20—To received the following amounts, viz Mrs. Walker, Bristol, R. I., donation,... \$50 00

A Friend, Rev. E. Bond, Kobala, Hawaii, Capt. McGowan, A. S. Cooke, Mrs. W. H. Rice, Libne, Kausi, -21550\$297 60

To balance brought down

Jan. 3-By paid Rev. S. C. Damon, on year's interest up to November 22, 1859, on acceptance for Mar. 2-By paid Mrs. Thrum's bill for taking care of Reading Room, 4 months up to Marc Nov. 20-By paid Rev. S. C. Damon, amount following bills paid by him at different times, and this J. F. Colburn, for cotton cloth. Nov. 26-Balance carried down, ...

The present debt is for balance due on the Society's And one year's interest on do., up to 22d inst.,... 43 09 From which deduct amount cash on hand, Which leaves a balance to be provided for of......

Respectfully submitted, CHAS. R. BISHOP, Treasurer, PASSENGERS.

For San Francisco—per Comet, Nov 26—N S Hill, E J Hunter, L S B Priest, E C Remington, E Putnam, J S Bonney, Henry Hiller, P Verplank, Jr, L C Pease, J S Rodger, C J Miles, Isaac Monchette, Francis Armand, S Bisco, Chas Ferguson, S Lockwood, Jacob Cotton, Chas W Joy, Jhn Harris, Franklin Rose, Chas Heath, Geo T Morse, Steph Main, John Oulaha, Frank T Mercer, Peter Mason, W W Roughton, F A Weld, J A Hamilton, G T Lawton, wife and daughter, J V Cox, W C Forbes & wife, Miss Lincoln, C Wodeski, M C Monsarrat, wife and child, —40 in all.

By Authority.

HER MAJESTY desires to return her thanks to those who so promptly and generously responded to her call for assistance in preparing the Fair for the "Queen's Hospital," and is happy to congratulate them upon the result of their joint labor which prov. ed so eminently successful, Palace, Nov. 30, 1860.

LATEST FOREIGN DATES

Aug 29 Panama,...Oct 7 San Fran Monits, Aug 19 St Louis, (P. Ex.). Sydney, N S W, July 20 Tahiti.... July 22 Valparaiso Hakodadi Oct 16 Shanghae

COMMERCIAL.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1860 The Danish ship Triton, Capt. Neilson, arrived on the Mon inst., 26 days from Liverpool, bringing a large quantity of irus pipes to the Hawaiian Government, and a large lot of dry good ale, &c., to Janion, Green & Co.

The barkentine Constitution, Capt. Foster, arrived on the 25th from Port Townsend via Hilo. She brings her usual carry of lumber, shingles, pickets, &c., part of which she landed ..

The Russian American Co.'s ship Casacowitch, Capt. Jurges, arrived on the 27th, 26 days from Sitka, having on hoard a quantity of furs, &c. She touched here for fresh supplies, and an sail shortly for Shanghae en route to St. Petersburg.

The Raduga, Capt. Burditt, having completed leading her cargo of oil, and bone, hides, goat skins, old copper, &c., sale, on 94th for New Redford. The bark Comet, Capt. Smith, sailed on the afternoon of the 26th inst, for San Francisco, taking a large number of passen

gers and nearly a full freight, consisting of pulu, oil, salt, hib. The schr Olicia and bark Frances Palmer are to have units

dispatch for San Francisco, the former to sail to-morrow and a latter on or about 8th proximo. The arrival and departure of all these merchantmen, and the

arrival of two or three whalers from Lahaina, and the sailing of quite a number that have completed their outfits, has had enlivening effect upon the business of the past week. The Stam was much injured by fire on the night of the 91. inst., the report of the survey was to the effect that it would com about \$11,600 to put her in as good order as before the fire. Sican, however, be made seaworthy for a much less sum, and we earn that it is their intention to make only such repairs as are

necessary to make her staunch and strong, to cost about \$500

leaving the injuries to the cabin and ornamental work to be re

paired after her arrival at home. She is to sail about 10th Ju-

In our local trade we have no transactions of importance There was a large sale of China goods, gunny bags, &c, or

Hurburg, to-day, for account of underwriters, being that por tion of the cargo that was dumaged. Prices realized are consi ered very good, even better in proportion to the value of the goods, than the lot sold in good order last week. AM. MESS BEEF-Quotable at \$18@\$18 50.

PRIME PORK-891. In Island Produce we quote-FLOUR-85 50@46. BREAD-6@6%c.

BEEF-\$1020\$12; sale of about 80 bbls at auction at \$520\$6. but this was much below its value, as the same beef is selling a

ARROWROOT-None in market-would find ready sale at come into the market, and the price has consequently decline

MOLASSES-Firm at 30c.

PULU-5c for pressed bales. HIDES-9 c. GOAT SKINS-Contracts have been made at 37 /c. REAL ESTATE At anotion to day Vincent House make corner of King and Maunakea streets, sold for \$312 50. Ameri-

Can House, mauka corner of King and Maunakea streets, said

for \$202. The Restaurant on King street, next door to the

Bethel, sold for \$257. The above are cash sales and for clear

EXCHANGE-Whalers' bills, 2@3 We disc. Private drafts on Boston, par to 2De prem for small amounts. On San Franeisen 1 We prem.

ASTRONOMICAL.

PHASES OF THE MOON IN DECEMBER. d h m s
Last Quarter..... 5 7 29 6 M. First Quarter.... 19 7 38 6 A.
New Moon 12 2 16 48 M, Full Moon....... 27 4 45 42 A.

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PORT OF HONOLULU.

Arrived. (about 12.600 lbs) coffee, 35 bbls cured fish, 6 bbls beef, 6000 granges, 300 goat skins, 20 bides, 1 cabin and 20 deck passengers Sch Molokai, fin ports on E Maui and Lahaina, with

25-Sch Kamehameha IV, White, fm Makee's Landing, with 200 bbls potatoes, I ton wheat, 8 hides, 3 cabin and 4 deck passengers. Danish meht sh Triton, Neilsen, 126 days im Liverpool, with pipes for the Haw water works, and a general cargo to Janion, Green & Co. sop Live Yankee, Morse, fm Molokai, with 140 bble Irish and 30 bbls sw potatoes; 2 foreign and 8 deck

20 passengers.

passengers.

Am bktn Constitution, Foster, fm Pt Townsend viz Hilo, with lumber to H Hackteid & Co, reptd last week in Hilo list. 26--Haw br Oahu, Von Holdt, put back leaky. Sch Kalama, Henry, Im Kawaihae, with 9 bullocks,

cabin and 13 deck passengers. 27—Haw sch Molketki, Wetherbee, fm Kahulni and Lahains, with flour, wheat, goat skins, pumpkins, and 8 deck passengers. Seh Emma Roscke, Chadwick, for Kong and Lahama.

Am whish Euphrates, Heath, for Lahaina, off and on, before reported in Lahaina list. II B M's steam sloop Hecate, A H. Hoskins commander, (55 days fm Plymouth, Eng, via Madeira, St Vincents, Rio de Janeiro and Valparaise, 43 days in latter port, en route for Vancouver's Island. Russ Am Co's sh Caesarowitch, Jorgan, 26 days f.n. Sitks.

with furs and other Northern products, and 6 passengers, for Shanghae, thence to St Petersburgh. Am whish Robin Hood, McGinley, fm Lahaina, off and on, before reptd in Lahaina list. 28-Sch Margaret, Maikai, fm Koloa, with 4 cords firewood, 40 bhis beet, and 50 bbis sw potatoes. Sch Queen, Kimo, im E Maui, Lahaina and Molokai, wi'h

potaties and native produce. 29-Sch Moiwahine, Kuheana, for ports on Kanai, with 50 bbis beef, 4 kgs butter.2 do lard,8 cords firewood. 8 bbis pork, 6 bgs fungus, 50 do swt potatoes, 59 do bullock bones, 10 horse hides, 2 horses, 9 hides 5 nets oranges, 18 hogs and 50 native possengers.

29—Sch Odd Fellow. Candage, fm ports on Kanai, with 13 cords wood, 120 pkgs sugar, 30 kgs & 6 bbbs syrup, 23 hides, 1 bale and a lot of fungus, 9 hogs, 6000 oranges,

4 cabin and 18 native passengers.

20 Sch Nettle Merrill, Borres, fin Hilo and Kohala, with 3 bullocks, 20 bags pulu, 10 bags coffee, 2 canoes, 4 cabin and 40 deck passengers.

Sailed. Nov24-Wh sh Sharon, Swift, cruise and home.

Whish Robt Edwards, Wood, do. Vh sh Gen Scott, Huntting, Wh sh Fabius, Smith, cruise and home, Haw br Oshu, Von Holdt, f. Bremen, with oil & bac. Am cl sh Raduga, Burditt, for New Bedfurd, with fell freight oil and bone. 25—Whish Carolina, Harding, cruise and home. Whish Marengo, E dridge, craise on N Z. Whish Metacom, Illinds, fr N ft. Whish Janus, Smith, fr const of Calif.

Brem whish Republik, Seyer, to cruise.
26-Hawisch Warwick, John Bull, fr Lahaina & MolokaiWhish L. C. Richmond, Hathaway, cruise and home. Wh sh Nile, Fish, to cruise. Wh sh Pavorite, Smith, croise and home. Am pkt bk Comet, Smith, fr S Francisco. Wh bk Gypsey, Manter, cruise and home. 27—Sch Kalama, Henry, fr Kawaihae. Sch Henry, Rivierre, do.

Sch Mannokawai, Marchant, fr Kawaihae and Kona. Whish Ontariog Poster, to craise.
Whish Henry Kneeland, Kelly, fr coast of Calif. Wh bk Martha 2d, Daily, fr cruise on Line and N Z Wh sh Harvest, Manchester, cruise, Wh sh Roman 2d, Dehart, fr N Z and hme

98-Wh sh Gideon Howland, Williams, ers & home. Wh sh Chandler Price, Holcomb, cruise. Wh sh Montezama, Homan, fr coast of Calif. Sch Emma Rooke, Chadwick, fr Lahaina. Sch Kamoikeiki, Wetherbee, fr Lahaina & Kahnini 29—Wh sh C W Morgan, Hamilton, for croise.

The Danish ship Triton left Liverpool July 22; crossed the line in long 29 7 W, Aug 13; got into lat 50 S, Eastern side of the Horn, Sept 19; saw Staten Land next day; got into 50 8, this side, Oct 11; crossed the line again in 112 W long, Nov 4; saw Hawaii Nov 24 and arrived at this port Nov 25. From Liver-

MEMORANDA.